

MECKLENBURG COUNTY

Land Use and Environmental Services Agency

From: Dylan Kirk, Mecklenburg County LUESA

Date: Wednesday, May 27, 2020

Subject: City of Charlotte April Initial Rezoning Petitions

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission 600 East Fourth Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Mecklenburg County has reviewed the City of Charlotte rezoning petition below to identify regulatory requirements of the petitioner; inform the petitioner, planning staff, and other affected parties of such regulatory requirements; and identify potential effects on, and impacts from, nearby properties. GIS ID 03711206

2020-063: Kappa Foundation of Charlotte

Air Quality Comments: Development of this site may require submission of an asbestos Notification of Demolition and Renovation to MCAQ due to possible demolition or relocation of an existing structure. A letter of notification and the required forms have been mailed directly to the petitioner by MCAQ.

The proposed development is likely to require the use of heavy-duty diesel equipment (≥25 hp) and is located adjacent to a population sensitive to air pollution (e.g. hospital, clinic, retirement facility, school, daycare). Diesel exhaust may pose health risks to these sensitive populations. Therefore, MCAQ recommends that during construction the petitioner use diesel equipment that meets EPA Tier 4 emission standards, the cleanest equipment available. Using the cleanest equipment available will minimize air pollution thereby minimizing health impacts to the surrounding communities. A letter communicating this recommendation has been mailed directly to the petitioner by MCAQ.

Ground Water Services Comments: GWS records indicate a contamination site(s) exist on or within 1,500 feet of the properties included in the petitions. An established Area of Regulated Groundwater Usage (ARGU) as defined by the Mecklenburg County Groundwater Well Regulations extends 1,500 feet around the contamination sites. In ARGU where municipally supplied water is available water supply wells for water supply, irrigation or open loop geothermal systems may not be permitted or constructed on or within 1,000 feet of contamination sites. Wells may be permitted with special construction and sampling requirements between 1,000 and 1,500 feet of contamination sites. Where no other water sources are available, wells may be permitted with special construction and sampling requirements

within 1,500' of contamination sites. Information from property records indicates that the homes on both parcels use or previously utilized wood, coal or oil heat. Based on this the property may contain an underground or above ground fuel oil storage tank. The tank and its contents should be removed, following applicable NCDEQ guidance, prior to any demolition or grading activity. Any related soil and/or groundwater contamination should be remediated to NCDEQ standards prior to redevelopment of the property. A water supply well is registered as an inactive drinking water well on both parcels. GWS recommends that the petitioner identify any water supply wells within the project boundary and either protect the wells from damage by flagging and fencing during site development or permanently abandon the wells per the Mecklenburg County Groundwater Well Regulations prior to any demolition or grading activity occurring and conduct survey to locate the septic systems. A permit from GWS is required for permanent well abandonments. The abandonments must be completed by a North Carolina Certified Well Contractor.

Storm Water Services Comments: No comments from Permitting & Compliance, Storm Water Service and Water Quality.

Solid Waste Comments: No comments.

Department Contacts:

Petitioners seeking to address individual comments / issues may follow up with the following individual Mecklenburg County staff:

Air Quality Comments: PJ McKenzie - (paul.mckenzie@mecklenburgcountync.gov)

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Storm Water Services: Myrette Stephen - (myrette.stephen@mecklenburgcountync.gov)

Solid Waste Comments: Joe Hack - (joe.hack@mecklenburgcountync.gov)

Please CC Dylan Kirk, (dylan.kirk@mecklenburgcountync.gov) on all communications to individual departments, thank you.

MCAQ Scope of Review:

MCAQ has reviewed the petitions with regard to air quality regulations for stationary sources and demolition and/or renovation of structures (e.g. National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for asbestos). Comments may also be made regarding incompatible land uses, sources of Toxic Air Pollutants, proximity to Risk Management Plan facilities, and proximity to known nuisance conditions or sensitive populations. MCAQ has conducted the review based on information submitted by the petitioner, review of aerial photographs (as available through the Mecklenburg County Polaris system,) review of the "Air Pollution Facility Information Online" database available from the MCAQ website, and review of Mecklenburg County Health Department records. The review is cursory based on limited information provided within petition applications and site plans.